(*b*)—

Year of recruitment.	*Number of candidates who applied for higher posts.*	*Fees collected.*
(1)	(2)	(3)
		RS.
1950–51	5,036	39,680
1951–52	2,765	29,750

APPENDIX III.

[Vide answer to starred question No. 80 asked by Sri K. Venkaiah at the meeting of the Legislative Assembly held on 6th November 1952, page 284 supra.]

Memorandum No 21923/F-52-1, Revenue, dated 14th April 1952.

[Land—Grant to political sufferers—Further proceedings—Staying of.]

The Collectors are informed that all further proceedings in regard to the grant of lands to political sufferers should be stayed. They are also informed that no allotment or assignment need hereafter be made to political sufferers and that incomplete cases may also remain suspended.

Memorandum No. 21923-F/52-4, Revenue, dated 1st May 1952.

[Land—Grant to political sufferers—Further instructions—Government Memorandum No. 21923-F/52-1, Revenue, dated 14th April 1952.]

In partial modification of the orders issued in the memorandum quoted above, the following further instructions in the matter of assignment of lands to political sufferers are issued :—

(1) The Collectors should examine all pending cases and where the grant of land to the political sufferer does not involve the dispossession of any sivoijamadar, whether it be a Harijan or an ex-serviceman or a landless poor person and where the land to be assigned is not of great value owing to its proximity to a town the assignment to the political sufferer should be proceeded with.

(2) In proceeding with cases of assignment in such unobjectionable cases, care should be taken to see that the poor means of the political sufferers justify the grant of the land to him.

(3) All other pending cases, where the land to be assigned is held under sivoijama occupation of a third party referred to in paragraph 1 should be closed.

2. The Collectors are requested to disband with effect from 30th April 1952 afternoon the special staff employed in their districts for the work connected with the grant of land to the political sufferers.

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Memorandum No. 21923-F/52-16, Revenue, dated 16th June 1952.

[Land—Grant to political sufferers—Further instructions—Clarification—Orders passed.]

The Collectors of East Godavari and West Godavari have requested clarification of certain matters which have arisen in giving effect to the orders in Government Memorandum No. 21923-F/52-4, Revenue, dated 1st May 1952. The Government have examined the points raised by these Collectors and issue the following instructions :—

(1) *What is meant by " pending case ".*—By ' pending case ' is meant every case in which neither a patta has been issued over possession of the land has been given to the political sufferer. The Government consider that the order of assignment issued by the Collector should not be treated as a patta and that the Collectors should cancel their orders of assignment in cases in which neither a patta has been issued nor possession of the land has been given.

(2) *Definition of the term " poor means of the political sufferer ".*—The term " landless poor person " has been defined in G.O. No. 1523, Revenue, dated 11th June 1949, and later amended in Memorandum No. 42044-F/49-1, Revenue, dated 1st August 1949. The Collectors are informed that the political sufferers who come under the above definition will be the persons whose poor means justify the grant of land to them. They are also informed that the question whether a person should be treated as poor or not is left to their discretion and that they need not consult the Political Sufferers' Advisory Committees in this matter.

(3) *Definition of the term " of great value owing to its proximity to a town ".*—Where land is in the proximity of a town the same would be in demand for purposes other than for cultivation and consequently its value is much more than land of that quality in a village. The Collectors should themselves adjudge whether a land is more valuable owing to its proximity to a town or not as is done in acquisition cases.

(4) *Sivoijama occupation.*—All sivoijama occupation prior to application by a political sufferer should be protected. The Collectors are however informed that where co-operative societies of political sufferers have been formed to bring jungle or other such difficult land under cultivation for the first time, the ban need not be applied to such cases.

2. The Government consider that the work of assignment of land to political sufferers can hereafter be carried on with the existing staff. The Government are not therefore prepared to sanction the employment of any special staff for this purpose.

3. The Board of Revenue is requested to obtain from the Collectors a list of cases of assignments completed in favour of very well-known and well-off politicals and submit the same to Government at an early date.

G.O. Ms. No. 1986, Revenue, dated 8th July 1952.

[Assignment of land to political sufferers—Order of priority —Re-fixed.]

The Government have examined the question of the necessity for altering the order of priority in regard to the assignment of land laid down in paragraph 2 of the Government Order first read above and in modification of the orders in paragraph 2 of that Government Order, they direct that hereafter the order of priority in regard to the assignment of lands shall be as follows :—

(*a*) Landless poor persons (this includes Harijans and Backward classes).

(*b*) Political sufferers who are eligible for land grant under the latest instructions and ex-servicemen of the II World War (this includes Indian National Army personnel) who do not possess more than five acres of wet or ten acres of dry land.

Memorandum No. 47685-F/52-1, Revenue, dated 28th August 1952.

[Land—Grant to political suffers—Order of priority—Re-fixed—Further instructions—Issued.]

According to G.O. No. 1523, Revenue, dated 11th June 1949, in assigning any land at the disposal of the Government, the claims of political sufferers who had applied for but had not been granted any land had to be considered although the political sufferer might not have applied for the particular land. As the policy in respect of assigning lands to political sufferers has been changed, G.O. No. 1986, Revenue, dated 8th July 1952, directs that landless poor persons should be given first preference in the matter of assignment. Any valid pending applications from all categories should be considered together and in assigning any particular land, for which there is more than one applicant, first preference should be given to the landless poor applicant.

2. As regards the suggestion of the District Food Production Committee that the only condition that should be imposed in assigning lands, should be that the land should be cultivated with food crops within a period of three years from the date of assignment on pain of cancellation, the Collector of South Kanara is informed that the Government have examined this suggestion but consider that there is no necessity to revise the conditions of assignment laid down in paragraph 9 of G.O. No. 1523, Revenue, dated 11th June 1949.

G.O. No. 476, Revenue, dated 23rd February 1940.

(*As modified in G.Os. No.* 2555, *Revenue, dated* 27*th September* 1949, *No.* 72, *Revenue, dated* 9*th January* 1950, *No.* 805, *Revenue, dated* 17*th March* 1950, *and No.* 2707, *Revenue, dated* 9*th October* 1950.)

[Lankas—Lease without auction—Draft instructions—Approved.]

The draft instructions regarding the lease of lankas without auction to the communities eligible for the ameliorative measures

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undertaken by the Labour department in the districts of East Godavari, West Godavari, Krishna and Guntur, submitted by the Board of Revenue with its reference read above are approved as amended. The instructions as amended by Government are appended to this order.

Appendix.

INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING THE LEASE OF LANKAS WITHOUT AUCTION TO THE COMMUNITIES ELIGIBLE FOR THE AMELIORATIVE MEASURES UNDERTAKEN BY THE LABOUR DEPARTMENT IN THE DISTRICTS OF EAST GODAVARI, WEST GODAVARI, KRISHNA AND GUNTUR.

I. Lankas may be leased without auction to members of communities which may be notified by the Government, from time to time, as communities eligible for the ameliorative measures undertaken by the Labour department or to landless poor people of the other communities if they form themselves into co-operative societies. Fishermen, ex-toddy tappers and members of criminal tribes will be regarded as such communities for the purpose of these instructions.

II. Such leases may be granted only in favour of registered co-operative societies which are composed solely of members of such communities.

NOTE.—In exceptional cases, however, such leases may be granted in favour of individuals or unregistered societies. In such cases, proposals should be submitted by the Collector to the Board for obtaining the sanction of the Government.

III. Ordinarily, preference should be given to societies of which the members are mostly, if not entirely, residents of the village in which the lanka is situated. But there is no objection to the grant of leases in favour of societies consisting of members resident in other villages, provided the needs of such communities resident in the village have been provided for as far as possible under these instructions.

IV. Lanka lands which have been leased without auction in this manner to such communities should not be taken away from them except for infringement or breach of any of the conditions of the lease or for refusal to pay the enhanced rent when such enhancement has been decided on.

V. Proposals for the lease of lankas without auction should be submitted to the Board of Revenue in the form approved in G.O. Ms. No. 825, Revenue, dated 4th June 1925.

VI. The lease should ordinarily be limited to three years.

VII. The area to be leased should be fixed with regard to the relative numbers of such communities and of other communities and other cognate factors, such as, the general economic conditions of the members of the proposed lessee society.

VIII. The form of the lease deed should be the same as that prescribed for lease by auction subject to the alterations specified in G.O. No. 1158, Revenue, dated 20th May 1935.

Fixing of rental.

IX. The rental proposed should, as a rule, be not less than the average rental of the same lanka for the immediately preceding three fasli years provided that the rentals for these faslis represented a fair and not a fictitious value.

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X. (1) Subject to the provisions of sub-paragraph (2), the rental may be revised only at the time of renewal of the lease. When revising the rental, changes in the fertility of the lanka, the trend of prices and any changes in the crops usually raised and agricultural practices which affect the net profits of cultivation of the lanka should be duly taken into account.

(2) If any commercial crops are grown during the currency of the lease, an additional rental to be decided by the Collector but not exceeding 33-1/3 per cent of the original rental will be payable for each fasli for the extent over which commercial crops are grown during that fasli.

NOTE.—Renewal of the lease of a lanka on the existing rental should be regarded as a case of enhancement in cases were more than 10 per cent of the area of the lanka has been eroded.

Powers of sanction.

XI. The Board of Revenue is competent to sanction fresh leases and renewal of leases on the existing or reduced rentals.

XII. All cases of renewals of leases where enhancement of rental for reasons other than the raising of commercial crops is involved, require the sanction of the Government.

XIII. The power to take away lankas for breach of any of the conditions of the lease or for refusal to pay the enhanced rental, vests in the Board of Revenue.

G.O. Ms. No. 805, Revenue, dated 17th March 1950.

[Lankas—Lease without auction—Extension of concessions to non-eligible communities—Orders passed.]

The Government accept the recommendation of the Board of Revenue and direct that the concessions granted to the eligible communities in G.O. No. 476, Revenue, dated 23rd February 1940, may be extended to landless poor people of the other communities also if they form themselves into co-operative societies. The following amendment will be issued to the rules appended to G.O. No. 476, Revenue, dated 23rd February 1940.

2. In rule I of the rules in the appendix to the Government Order the following shall be added at the end of the first sentence :—

" or to landless poor people of the other communities if they form themselves into co-operative societies."